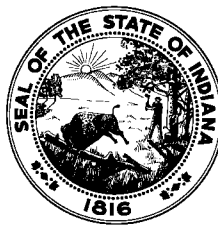


# Indiana State Board of Education



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## MINUTES

### INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

January 8, 2004  
Department of Education  
James Whitcomb Riley Conference Room  
151 West Ohio Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana

#### **I. Call to Order**

The business meeting of the Indiana State Board of Education was called to order at 9:05 a.m. Board members Connie J. Blacketter, Daniel Tanoos, Sandra Kirts Cantrell, Susan Brace, Darvin Stilwell, Robert Lazard, and Dr. David Dickson were present. Board members Dr. Suellen Reed, Randle Pollard, Robert Kovach, and J. Gordon Pendleton were not present.

#### **II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Mr. Lazard led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **III. Approval of the Minutes**

Mr. Tanoos moved for approval of the minutes. Mrs. Cantrell seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **IV. Statement of the Chair**

#### **V. Board member Comments**

Mrs. Cantrell and Ms. Blacketter discussed a recent meeting of the Indiana Promise Consortium.

**VI. Consent Agenda Items**

- A. Jeffery P. Zaring, State Board of Education Administrator, presented a request for approval, pursuant to IC 36-1-7-5, of the interlocal agreement for the Area 30 Career Center Education Interlocal. [Agenda item VI, A]
- b. Mr. Zaring presented a request for approval to distribute professional development grant funds to public and accredited nonpublic schools. [Agenda item VIII, A]

Ms. Blackketter moved for approval of the consent agenda items. Mrs. Brace seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**VII. Adjudications/Hearings**

- B. Mr. Zaring presented Cause Number 0308009, Appeal for Denial of Transfer Tuition from Northwest Allen County Schools to Fort Wayne Community Schools for the 2003-2004 school year for D.L.

Oral argument was presented by student D. L. and Dr. Steven Yager, Superintendent, Northwest Allen County Schools.

Mr. Stilwell made a motion to remand this matter back to the hearing officer. Dr. Dickson seconded the motion. The motion passed with six ayes and one no (Mr. Tanoos).

- C. Mr. Zaring presented LSA Document #03-219, which amends the definition of high school graduation rate to comply with state and federal law. Mr. Zaring recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the rule and fiscal impact statement.

Mrs. Cantrell moved for approval. Dr. Dickson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**VIII. Public Comments**

No public comments were offered.

**IX. Center for Assessment, Research, and Information Technology**

**X. Center for School Improvement and Performance**

- A. Mr. Zaring presented the proposed 2004 summer school program and recommended approval.

Dr. Dickson moved for approval. Mrs. Brace seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mrs. Brace abstained as to Fort Wayne Community School Corporation; Mrs. Cantrell abstained as to Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation; Ms. Blackketter abstained as to Rensselaer Central School Corporation; and Mr. Tanoon abstained as to Vigo County School Corporation.

**XI. Center for Community Relations and Special Populations**

**XII. Board Operations**

Mr. Lazard discussed upcoming National Association of State Boards of Education (NASBE) committee meetings, scheduled for January 23-24, 2004, in Alexandria, Virginia.

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Mr. Tanoos moved for adjournment. Mrs. Brace seconded the motion. The business meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.